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RE: DOJ Settlement with Microsoft.

I, as a long term user(1980) of Apple and PC machines with all types of software, fully support the recent DOJ settlement.

During my latter part of career years from 1985 ish until 1995 my company favored the use of Apple and I used same for my personal computing. In 1998 I switched to PC's and windows. With this background I can emphatically say that the Windows systems (Software+Hardware) are vastly superior to Apple system in Cost, Reliability and general performance.

I categorically challenge anyone to show me where the world would be better off without Microsoft and their products. In the early 80's I recall what the world was like when there were 10 different Word processors, Database managers, and Spreadsheet software, and the difficulties with incompatible packages. The PC has thrived because of Microsoft not in spite of them. I was also an internet and AOL user in the early 90's and recall trying to get a decent browser. AOL did not and still does not provides a competitive service. As a taxpayer it would be in my interests to spend some DOJ time seriously reviewing how AOL/Netscape attempt to prevent competition.

Respectfully,

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